

MAY 2010

## I-15 CORE Project Details

- An important investment to restore aging infrastructure, address long-term transportation needs and improve the mobility of goods and services throughout the state
- Adds two travel lanes in both directions on I-15 from Lehi to Spanish Fork
- Extends the Express Lane in both directions from University Parkway in Orem to Spanish Fork
- Rebuilds or reconfigures 10 freeway interchanges and replaces or restores 55 aging bridges
- Provides technology to monitor and manage traffic flow on major arterials in Utah County
- Uses 40-year concrete pavement along the entire corridor
- Meets projected transportation demands through the year 2030

## I-15 CORE Timeline

- The contractor, Provo River Constructors, has committed to an accelerated timeline to complete the project nearly two full years ahead of the required schedule.
- Important dates:
  - 1965: I-15 in Utah County is complete; no significant improvements since, with the exception of the addition of the Express Lane from the Alpine interchange to University Parkway in Orem in May 2006
  - August 2002: Mountainland Association of Governments asks UDOT to study improvements needed on I-15 in Utah County
  - June 2004-August 2008: UDOT compiles the I-15 Corridor: Utah County – Salt Lake County Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
  - August 2008: FHWA grants Record of Decision on EIS, allowing UDOT to move forward with planning, designing and construction of I-15 CORE
  - Fall 2008-Fall 2009: UDOT I-15 CORE team works on project development, design, right-of-way acquisition and procurement to prepare parameters for design-build contractor selection
  - March 2009: Utah State Legislature approves \$1.725 billion bond to expand and rebuild a vital section of the corridor between American Fork and Provo
  - June 2009: UDOT issues Request for Proposals to select I-15 CORE design-builder
  - December 2009: UDOT selects Provo River Constructors as the design-build team for I-15 CORE and extends the project scope from Lehi to Spanish Fork
  - Spring 2010: I-15 CORE construction begins
  - December 2012: I-15 CORE construction scheduled to be completed

## Utah County Population and Economic Growth Projections

- Utah County is one of the fastest growing counties in the nation and the second most populated county in Utah with nearly 20 percent of the state's total population
- When I-15 CORE construction begins in 2010, Utah County's population is projected to be 560,000 residents; by 2020, it will exceed 727,000

*Sources: Utah Department of Transportation; Department of Workforce Services; Economic Development Corporation of Utah; Utah Governor's Office of Economic Development; Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budgeting*